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FOR DOWLING FROM THE PRESIDENT

Request you deliver soonest following from the President  
to Adenauer and personally brief him on Cuban situation  
drawing on DEPTEL / <sup>TOPOL</sup> to 578 Finletter.

Dear Chancellor Adenauer:

I am sending Ambassador Dowling to make sure that  
you are fully informed of the current situation in Cuba.

(REDACTED) The  
situation is clearly growing more tense and if satisfactory  
responses are not received from the other side in the next  
forty-eight hours, the situation is likely to enter a  
progressively intense military phase.

We are trying to make our determination just as  
clear as our readiness for a proper settlement. It gives  
me great courage in these days to know that we have your  
support, as expressed in your letter.

Sincerely,

John F. Kennedy K

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